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Public input is always an important thing for major issues that serve and were meant to be made for the population. Many people think that Microsoft should not be allowed to settle with Netscape because Microsoft is constantly causing monopolies, and without finally being seriously and fairly punished, the company may be unable to ever quit their nasty habit. Netscape should sue Microsoft for a reasonable amount of money, and Microsoft should resolve Netscape's problem by performing some sort of a task for Netscape's benefit in addition to paying them money.

As you may know, many historical events have happened involving monopolies. Historical events include when AT&T controlled all phone services in the United States. People thought this was unfair so the courts split it up and new businesses formed such as Pacific Bell and long distance phone services started like Sprint and MCI. Another example of a past major monopoly was with the oil companies, which also had to be broken up. A very common one was with the railroads. The Supreme Court said, and everyone should have this perspective of benefit to the people, was "The Supreme Court established the government's right to regulate businesses and to protect public interests." All these events had many different good ideas to resolve their problems, and monopolies with these companies never happened again. Overall, Microsoft definitely should be punished and should not be allowed to settle with Netscape.